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HARD-A-LEE! Once more our journalistic craft is off on another stretch. And if the steady breeze of good wishes, and interest on the part of our readers continue, we hope the tack of 1882-83 will bring us to a point on the shores of journalism, which will alike please us and satisfy them. We will have an eye on the sharks, and will run into no one (who does not attempt to cross our bow). Having thus said our little piece, we retire, and let the play proceed.

A PRACTISED eye might observe a slight change in the cut of our coat since last session. The reason of this is that we have changed our tailor. The A. M. Society, with that fairness which characterizes all its proceedings, decided last spring to patronize the other reliable steam printing-house in the city, and gave the contract to Mr. Lewis W. Shannon, publisher of the *Daily News*. It is needless to say we are perfectly satisfied with the change. A glance at this paper is enough to show that the job printing of the *News* is equal to any in the Province.

MR. SHANKS, appointed Managing Editor of this paper for this session, to the regret of his associates, has found it necessary to resign the post. A member of the old staff will supply his place, until some one is appointed permanently. We have begun publication earlier than usual, and our staff being much stronger than in former years, we hope to spare ourselves the humiliation of apologising for delayed issues. We make the usual request for communications, from men of all the faculties. If you have any suggestion of improvements in the curriculum, the societies, or clubs, give the college the benefit of them. If written at all forcibly they will do good. Abridge your essays, and prepare them for publication. Put together in the form of an article, any incidents or adventures that occurred during your vacation. Many such must have happened, when so many students are cruisers, campers, and rovers. There are poets and epigrammatists in College. Why not give our columns the benefit of your talent? The JOURNAL is yours. If it is ever uninteresting from lack of news, it is your fault as much as any one's. Write local items, and if they are at all readable and not obscure, we will be glad to get them. It is principally they, which made the JOURNAL interesting to those about College.

THE annual lecture with which it has always been thought necessary to start a session has disappeared this year, for what cause no body seems to be aware. Whether the omission is due to the magnanimity of the Professor whose turn it was to deliver this christening address, or in answer to the

prayer of a petition is alike unknown.

But notwithstanding the natural repugnance felt in a college to the breaking up of old customs, it is certain the omission was little felt. We are riddled from October to May with lectures, lecturettes and sermons, and one less is perhaps more of a relief than otherwise.

It is to be regretted that politics should mix to such extent as they do with educational questions in this Province. Because the Minister considered it his duty to withdraw "Marmion" from the high school curriculum, he has been abused like a pick pocket. If the Roman Catholic Archbishop is to be consulted as to what works shall be used in the schools, it was certainly a mistake not to have obtained his sanction of Marmion before it was placed on the list. But when he, as the head of such a large class of the population, did object to its use, we don't see how the minister could do otherwise than withdraw it.

We have before us a circular bearing the stamp of the Toronto Students Union, which details a students co-operation scheme, whereby books and apparatus can be obtained at a price much less than that at which the ordinary dealers can afford to sell. The manager guarantees to furnish all goods at 10 p.c. advance on invoice price. Whether the thing will work to advantage as regards students outside of Toronto, we are not sure; but students compose a large class in Ontario, and there is no reason why, with proper management, co-operation should not be beneficially adopted, as it has been so successfully in Britain among many classes—notably the army and navy, and the civil service. At any rate we commend the scheme to the attention of the college. To become members and procure price lists would do no harm, and might prove advantageous.

WE extend our welcome to the incoming first year class, the largest yet on the rolls, and which on the whole presents a most respectable appearance. Among the odd fifty there will of course be men who have come to work and those who come with the intention of devoting a large portion of their time to "loafing." We might give a little bit of advice to both classes. To the former we would say, don't immerse yourselves altogether in your books. The man who does so is naturally selfish. The Alma Mater Society, the Glee Club, and other Societies demand your assistance in making them a success and their proceedings vigorous and interesting. The football clubs, and rifle company also want all the men they can get for two months at least. To the latter, and probably younger class, we would ask to consider what the end of an idle session will be. You may think you are able to catch up, but the Final cometh at an hour ye know not, and the chances are that it will be "pluck" right through. Venus, Bacchus, and Momus, may be excused in vacation, but a little of them should go a long way during the session. Kingston girls know a freshman thoroughly, and they would think much more of you if they knew you paid some attention to your books, than if they saw you spent your time gadding about town, no matter how much of a masher you may be. Wait till you are upper classmen before you commence to play your parts in making love and winning hearts.

There is no use telling you to be respectful to your seniors, the seniors themselves will take care of that. And remember that it is generally the steady and unassuming man who is popular in the end; not he who begins with a flourish of trumpets, who speaks most, and who is elected to represent his class in societies. Such men are too often like the stick of the rocket. We close these few remarks by wishing the gentlemen of the first year, a successful and agreeable course.

IT is gratifying to see that our continued agitation for a longer session has at last borne fruits. Lectures began this year a fortnight earlier than usual, and everything is in full swing at the time when in former years we were but beginning. Although we have not got all we want yet by any means, we hail the change with the utmost pleasure. The only reason for the extreme length of our vacation has been that men who require the earnings of the summer to meet the expenses of the winter, may be suited. It is not to be presumed that this class is diminishing in number; but the number of men who have leisure during the summer is increasing so largely, that it is manifestly unfair that their time and energies should be sacrificed. We hope yet to see the time when the Matric. will be over before October, and the "Statutory meeting of Senate for conferring degrees" will be held in the end of May instead of April. The amount of work we have to get through in a session is crowded into far too short a time. We want a little more learned leisure if you please. Especially is this the case in such studies as Philosophy and History in order that the reading may comprise something more than the class lectures, and a few text books. Reading, of course, may be, and is by many, kept up during the long vacation, but it will be conceded that reading without a tutor is apt to be desultory. We don't pray for more work but we want a longer time in which to do our present work. * * *

It is manifest that Athletics will be more systematically practised than heretofore. That may be seen even already. With the whole of October and November for practice, both divisions of football ought to put teams in the field which will retrieve our former reputation. If we had a month more in spring we could also get on cricket matches with Kingston and neighboring towns and the Military College. As it is, we expect to see many good games of Rugby football with the latter club.

We trust the Senate may see their way to go on lengthening the session by degrees, and by so doing, have the thanks of the great majority of students.

WE should surely lose all claim to being a public spirited journal, did we not take an opportunity of expressing our gratification at the result of the Egyptian war. The prestige of our Empire has undoubtedly been enhanced in the eyes of Europe, and the mouths of the carpers in the House of Commons, and out of it, who think the service is going to the devil, will be effectually closed for some time. We must throw our little quota of praise and congratulation on the stream that is being, or should be, showered on Mr. Childers, Lord Northbrook, Wolseley, and Seymour, and the gallant brigades, and regiments which took part in the war.

And not only should we feel proud of our gallant countrymen, but the thanks of civilized nations must be given to the British Government, for nipping in the bud, what would undoubtedly have been an uprising which would not only have endangered the peace of Europe, but would have plunged Asia into all the horrors of a Mohammedan war. We hear that all Mohammedan States were praying both secretly and openly for the success of Arabi Bey, while the battle of Tel-el-Kebir was the only deterrent of an uprising of the tribes of Northern Africa. John Bull with Liberal advisers is averse to unnecessary warring, but when he threatens he means business.

As regards minor matters, we hope those to blame for the insufficiency of transport and hospital supplies (it is said that not even chloroform could be had at the front) will be made an example of, and punished as richly as they deserve. It is also to be hoped that the Government will reconsider its nomination of Baker Pasha to the post of reorganizing the Egyptian army. It has not transpired

that this officer has ever shown any talent for military administration while in Turkey. His reputation rests alone on the fact of his being a good cavalry officer. There may be some diplomatic move in this nomination, which is beyond common understanding, but that he should be dismissed from the British army, and so soon after given so important a post is certainly unaccountable to the ordinary mind. It would seem that a man had only to outrage society, and become notorious in order to become distinguished.

The outcome of this Egyptian affair, is what no statesman seems willing to commit himself in predicting. Great minds are wrestling with the question. But it does not seem probable that the policies of England or the Powers will be known for some time yet.

THE press of local matter in this number necessitates the holding over of several literary articles until next issue.

ENDOWMENT.

THE last effort of the Principal to better the financial status of the University met with singular and gratifying success. In the space of a few weeks in the early summer, he succeeded by means of a few open circulars, coupled with personal solicitation, in adding nearly nine thousand dollars to the annual income for the period of five years. Certainly the alumni, and friends of Queen's can never be charged with illiberality. This last addition will stave us over a few years, as the Principal says, and then we will have time to look about us again.

It is to be hoped that before the five years are up, the institution will receive bequests which will make up the loss in revenue consequent on the determination of that period.

THE FACULTY.

ONE more gentleman has been added to the permanent teaching staff, and another will be appointed next month. Principal Grant is now in Britain for the pur-

pose of selecting a successor to the venerable Vice-Principal in the chair of Physics. The testimonials accompanying applications for this chair were so uniformly high, that the trustees thought they would not be justified in selecting any one in preference to the others. Hence the Principal's visit to the Old Country in order to judge on personal grounds of their fitness. Professor Dupuis' successor in Chemistry is Mr. George McGowan.

This gentleman is an F.R.S.E. and a Fellow of the Chemical Societies of London and Berlin. Mr. McGowan's chemical education has been of the widest and most thorough kind obtainable in Europe. He was not only a distinguished student in Scotland, where he assisted Mr. J. Y. Buchanan of the "Challenger" expedition staff in working out the problems arising from results of the 'Challenger' researches, but he also studied Organic Chemistry in the Laboratory of Professor Kolbe in Leipzig, and Analytical Chemistry under Professor Fresenius, of Weisbaden, the two most distinguished chemists in Germany. Mr. McGowan has also had exceptional opportunities for studying Industrial and Agricultural Chemistry.

We shall be sorry to lose Dupuis' lectures in Chemistry, because they have always been one of the chief features of our course. But with his favorite subject of Mathematics alone to deal with, we may expect great things from those in that department.

Our staff, of course, is not yet by any means as complete as it should be. History and English Literature are subjects too vast for the grasp of one man. There should also be separate instructors in French and German, while a tutor in Mathematics would take an immense amount of work off the Professor's shoulders. We have this year a lecturer in Political Economy, formerly one of Professor Watson's subjects, and it would be a capital thing if this lectureship were permanent. There are other subjects for which it would be of course premature and senseless to hope for professors. But we are steadily going forward, and at the present rate of progress we can easily foresee the time, when we shall be able to call ourselves sons of the most efficient University in the Dominion.

The staff of the College, according to recent changes, is now as follows:

ARTS:

Classics—Senior and Honor—Professor Fletcher.
Junior—Mr. Nicholson.

Mathematics—Professor Dupuis.

History and English Literature—Professor Ferguson.

Astronomy—Professor Williamson.

Mental and Moral Philosophy—Professor Watson.

Chemistry—Professor McGowan.

Physics—Professor ——— (to be appointed next month.)

Natural Science—Mr. Fowler.

Modern Languages—Mr. Nicholson.

Political Economy—Rev. R. Campbell, M.A., B.Sc.

THEOLOGY:

Divinity—Principal Grant.

Hebrew and Biblical Criticism—Professor Mowat.

Church History—Rev. Jas. Carmichael, M.A.

Apologetics—Rev. Donald Ross, B.D.

Elocution—Vacant.

The faculties of Medicine and Law are unchanged.

PROFESSOR MOWAT, Honorary Registrar of the University for many years, has been relieved of the arduous clerical duties of that office. His successor is the Rev. George Bell, LL.D., one of the first students of the College. Dr. Bell has already taken up his residence in Kingston, and will also be co-Librarian with Mr. Fowler. We are glad that the Doctor will thus become a permanent member of the staff, and hope to see his genial face about the halls for many years to come.

THE LATE HON. JOHN HAMILTON.

ONE of the few remaining links which connect the past and present history of the University, has been removed by the strong arm of death.

The venerable Senator Hamilton, Chairman of the Board of Trustees from the foundation of the University in 1847, passed quietly away at his residence, Maitland Street, Kingston, on Tuesday, October 10th, in the eighty-first year of his age.

This sad event is one of no ordinary moment, for not only does Queen's College lose her temporal head, but in the death of Mr. Hamilton the Dominion loses her senior Senator, Kingston her first citizen, and the country one of her most patriotic and honorable sons.

John Hamilton was the youngest son of the late Hon. Robert Hamilton, one of the first Legislative Councillors of Upper Canada appointed in 1792. The family home was at Queenston, Ontario, where John was born in 1802. After spending a short time at school there he was sent to Edinburgh, where he entered the Academy and received a classical training of that order, which has made the school famous. At the age of sixteen he came back to Canada to follow business pursuits, and two years afterwards he entered a large mercantile house in Montreal. After serving a thorough apprenticeship there, he returned to his home in Queenston, where he entered upon the business of building and running steamboats on his own account. He owned—though he did not build—the Frontenac, the first steamer that plied the waters of Lake Ontario. Mr. Hamilton's energy and enterprise were remarkable. He built the Queenston, the Great Britain, the Lord Sydenham (which was the first large boat that ever ran the rapids), the Passport, Canada, and Kingston, besides chartering nearly all the boats then running which were fitted for lake travel. For a long time he made a determined stand against the Grand Trunk Railway which had become a competitor for the carrying trade of Upper Canada. He retired from business in 1862.

In January, 1831, Mr. Hamilton was called by letters patent of His Majesty William IV., to the Legislative Council, and for over half a century he took part in the deliberations of each successive legislature of the Province, and earned for himself the title of Nestor of the Senate.

A public career so remarkable could not fail to meet with fitting acknowledgment, and on January the 29th, 1881,

the fiftieth anniversary of his elevation to the Council, he was presented by his colleagues with the following address:

"Dear Mr. Hamilton,—We, your colleagues in the Senate, desire to offer you our congratulations on this the 50th anniversary of your being summoned to the Upper House of the Legislature of your native province. During the eventful years which have since elapsed, and amidst various territorial changes incident to the growth of a new country, successive Governments have renewed to you the honor conferred by His Majesty King William IV. and your colleagues in the Senate to-day rejoice in the pleasure of your presence, and assistance in their deliberations. But it has not been in Parliament alone that you have served the country. The annals of Canada for the last fifty years will recount the important enterprises of commerce in which you have been engaged. To you in early days Upper Canada owed her predominance on Lake Ontario. The organization of the first line of steamers which plied on that lake, and which in good and ill fortune you maintained for five-and-twenty years, the establishment of steam communication between Kingston and Montreal, the courage and perseverance which first directed large steamers to descend the rapids of the St. Lawrence, and the maintenance of lines of stage-coaches for autumn and winter communication between the provinces which are now Ontario and Quebec, all bear testimony to your vigorous and far-reaching enterprise.

"We rejoice to have an opportunity of recording our appreciation of the value of these and other public services which have marked your career. Your well-spent life, it may be, is drawing to a close, but you are surrounded with 'honor, love, obedience, troops of friends,' and as 'the father of the Senate,' your colleagues congratulate you on the occurrence of this interesting anniversary, and heartily wish you a cheerful and happy old age."

To this the venerable Senator replied as follows:

"My Dear Friends and Colleagues in the Senate,—My feelings will not permit me to acknowledge suitably your unexpected and most kind congratulations on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of my appointment to the Legislative Council of Upper Canada. In this country where seats are not hereditary the lives must be few in which a similar event will find a place. The territorial growth of our country, its progress in population and in wealth, appear marvellous to me. I regard these and the increased unity of our people with profound thankfulness. The retrospect of the past fills me with hope and confidence in the future of the Dominion. Your allusion to my commercial career revives many memories, some pleasing, some sad, but I shall not dwell upon them further than to say that I regret it was not in my power to do more than I did to promote the prosperity of my native land. Advancing years prevent my taking any active part now in the business of legislation, but I continue to feel a deep interest in it, and I look forward to meeting my colleagues each session with extreme pleasure.

"I assure you it is most gratifying to discover by your

highly valued address that I am still welcome among you. This evidence of your friendship so warmly manifested is not only grateful to my own heart, but will be treasured by my children and their children. I pray that you, one and all, may long be spared in the enjoyment of health and happiness to serve Canada in the Senate."

The speaker of the Senate, Hon. D. L. Macpherson, Sir Alexander Campbell, who read the address, and the other senators then came forward and congratulated their colleague individually.

In early life Mr. Hamilton married Frances Pasia, daughter of David Macpherson, Esq., of Inverness, Scotland, and sister of the Hon. David L. Macpherson, Speaker of the Senate. By her he had a large family. John, now County Attorney at Sault, Ste. Marie; Clarke, Collector of Customs, Kingston; Mrs. John Paton, of New York; Herchmer, now dead; David, who practices medicine in Batavia, N.Y.; Mrs. Mackenzie, wife of Dr. Mackenzie, of Hillcroft, Kingston; Joseph, now dead; Mrs. Foote, of Denver, Colorado; and George, and Samuel, dead.

Mr. Hamilton was one of those thoroughly aristocratic men with whom it is a pleasure to have relations in business and social life. Cultured and dignified, kind-hearted and courteous and remarkably handsome in personal appearance, he at once commanded the respect, admiration and esteem of all with whom he came in contact. As it was remarked by a *Evening Paper*, "Seldom is it that a man is found in the community so full of years and honors." His death was due to no particular disease, though an attack of bronchitis last spring undoubtedly weakened a frame already enfeebled by age. But at the end, his family who surrounded his bedside were scarcely conscious when the spirit of this truly beloved and honorable man took flight. Lectures were suspended on account of the funeral, which was attended by undergraduates in Medicine and Arts, and both Faculties in academic costume, and by a large following of citizens and carriages.

→ ROYAL + COLLEGE. ←

THE session of 1882-83 commenced on Monday, Oct. 9th, and a large number of Freshmen have registered on the list of students, several Arts graduates being among the number.

Subjoined is the list up to date:

H. E. Young, Napanee.
J. D. Ashton, Newcastle.
M. L. Dixon, Frankville.
Wm. Coy, Kingston.
A. N. White, Kingston.
W. M. Mather, Belleville.
Geo. J. Neish, Kingston.
E. J. McArdle, Dundas.
Geo. G. Jack, Belleville.
S. J. Mellow, Silsville.
E. W. Wright, Bath.
J. M. Conerty, Jasper.
Ed. McLaughlin, Dundela.
H. Burdett, Belleville.

H. H. Stone, Frankville.
Arch. Jamieson, Kars.
Joseph Casselman, North Williamsburg.
W. W. Madge, Kingston.
J. D. Dunlop, Orillia.
D. Foley, Westport.
Wm. Spankie, Kingston.
Jas. A. Brown, Beaverton.
Thos. Allford, Kingston.

The number of lady students has been augmented by the addition of the following:

Marion Oliver, St. Mary's, Ont.
Ellen Blaylock, New Carlisle, Que.

The final class has received an addition in the person of Thos. A. Page of Brockville, late of McGill Medical College.

THE Registrar, Dr. Fowler, has posted the following announcement in the "Den" in reference to the coming examinations: Before a student can compete for honors he must first obtain at the written examinations 60 per cent. of the marks except in chemistry, in which subject only 40 per cent. is required.

THERE will be for the final students a competition for a gold and a silver medal. This will be determined by an oral examination, the very same questions being put to each competitor. The subjects of the oral examination will be practice of medicine, surgery and obstetrics.

In like manner a silver medal will be awarded to primary students upon the result of an oral examination upon anatomy, histology and institutes of medicine. These medals are given through the generosity of Dr. Murdock Matheson '70, of Aramac, Queensland, who has not forgotten his alma mater, though busy attending to the demands of a large practice which he has worked up in the Island Continent. In like manner four other prizes will be awarded to primary students upon the result of an oral examination upon anatomy, practical anatomy, institutes of medicine and materia medica. No student can gain more than one prize.

LOCAL.

"SUBS" do not keep well this weather.

"SUBJECTS," gentlemen, are not made of any different material as they are found in the dissecting rooms of London, Vienna, Dublin, or Edinburgh. To hear some people talk one would be led to think that they were, and would call to mind the story of Paddy, who had just returned from a visit to the metropolis of the world, and surrounded by a group of admiring friends, exclaimed, "My! but ye's ought to see the moon in London!"

WE are glad to welcome back again G. C. McCammon and J. E. Stirling, who were not with us last session. They take the Primary and Intermediate Exam's together in the spring.

ROY: oh, where! oh, where! is he gone?

DR. A. S. OLIVER, Professor of Materia Medica and Therapeutics in the Royal, has been appointed Examiner on Theory and Practice of Medicine for the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario.

DR. M. SULLIVAN, Professor of Surgery, resigned his position as Examiner in Anatomy for the College of P. S. of Ontario. His successor is Dr. Fulton, Toronto, a very able man. We congratulate the Council on their choice.

DR. J. M. STEWART, '82, spent a few days here recently. The Dr. looks well as ever, and gives glowing accounts of his western experience. He is practising at Chesley, Bruce County.

DR. R. S. ANGLIN, '82, is located in Springfield, Nebraska. He is doing well in his new home. His old friend, Dr. Dan Cameron, stopped here to visit his many friends before leaving for the West. He intends to settle in Nebraska.

S. H. SNIDER, M.D., C.M., '81, is meeting with extraordinary good luck in Manitoba. On good authority we learn that he cleared \$20,000 by judicious speculation in the recent great boom in real estate.

DRS. MAGURN, '81, and Rutherford, '82, were in the city on a short visit some time ago. They are both doing well in their profession.

DR. A. A. MORBY, '82, pursues the even tenor of his way in Kars. Our jovial friend will succeed wherever he goes. We wish him luck.

DR. C. JARVIS, '82, has gone over to the ranks of Homoeopathy.

DR. G. DENIKE, '82, is holding out in Fulton, N.Y.

CHEMISTRY.

The great number and variety of subjects embraced in the medical curriculum, render the study of medicine a difficult and important pursuit.

While it is essential that a certain number of special subjects should be placed on the curriculum, it is absurd to waste valuable time on subjects, a certain knowledge of which only is requisite, and which are forgotten before the student leaves College. Yet such is the case. The authorities of Queen's University compel every medical student to attend two full courses of lectures on chemistry, and in addition render the course exceedingly difficult and laborious.

To pass the examination in chemistry is no easy task therefore to the medical student, who has at the same time to pass in other difficult and comprehensive subjects. He has not the time to devote to the study of chemistry which the course pursued here requires, consequently it has always been a stumbling block to our students, and while the present arrangements exist unchanged it always will.

Some assert that chemistry is important. We do not deny this, but we do deny that it is as important as sanitary science or histology, two subjects which receive but little of the attention which they merit in a school of medicine, more especially when they are beginning to be recognized as essential factors in the education of the student in medicine. We hope some change will be brought about whereby other subjects could be substituted for the too lengthy and useless instruction received in this subject. R.C.P.S.K.

TOBACCO AND TYPHOID FEVER.

In addition to the many motives which lead a man to indulgence in the fragrant weed, comes this last which

has been going the rounds of the press, viz., the statement of a Virginia physician that "he has never known an habitual consumer of tobacco to have typhoid fever."

The assertion must undoubtedly have given much aid, and comfort to those who are addicted to its habitual use as an exhilarant, and find it hard to give up an injurious habit. If it, or rather the inference to be drawn from the statement, were true, it would certainly prove a very valuable fact, for then the nicotiana tabacum might be added to our list of specifics and the course of that formidable disease, typhoid, be shortened very materially if not nipped in the bud.

But in order that this statement may have any value we would like to know just how many cases of typhoid fever this physician has come in contact with, as though he may be thoroughly sincere in the matter, it is just possible that in his particular experience, tobacco and typhoid never met together, but if his experience has been a limited one, the stated fact would not go for much. To be of any value the generalization must be based upon a uniform series of statistics collected from the experiences of many men, extending through a number of years, and in different localities.

It may have been true just as he says, and nevertheless tobacco has had nothing to do with the exemption of its users from fever after all.

We are reminded of the grave proclamation of a medical savant some years since that he had noticed in all cases of diphtheria that the victim had previously been a potato eater! Wherefore let those who would escape diphtheria eschew potatoes! And of the similar notion that tomatoes favor the development of cancer because some persons thus afflicted have been fond of that esculent. If like could be depended on to cure like, there would be some plausibility in the notion that tobacco should antidote typhoid fever, filth fighting filth, but as it is only in infinitesimal doses that the doctrine of similars professes to hold good, it is probably not the explanation of the present case, for habitual consumers of tobacco generally use tangible quantities of the weed. The question is, however, a fair one to ask, whether any one has ever known an habitual consumer of tobacco to have typhoid fever? At present it seems a very lame excuse indeed for indulgence in a habit which is pronounced by so many eminent physicians to be pernicious.

OBSTETRICS.

M. Tarnier, the eminent French obstetrician gives some remarkable statistics of favourable results obtained in hospital practise by isolation, the use of antiseptics and all means proper to ward off contagion. In the new pavilion he has had constructed, in which each chamber can only be entered by a separate door leading outwardly without any aperture towards the hospital except a single, large pane of glass let into the wall permitting the surveillance of the patients. He has had but six deaths in 1,200 cases of labor and within the past ten years there have been 600 cases without a single death.

FOOTBALL.

THE annual meeting of the College F. B. C. was held in the Reading Room, on Wednesday afternoon, Oct. 4th. In the absence of the Captain, Mr. A. McLeod took the chair. As the holding of the annual meeting on this date was contrary to the constitution, which requires that it be held on the day succeeding University Day, and it being specially desirable to have the club at once organized for practice, it was moved by Mr. G. F. Henderson, and

seconded by Mr. H. E. Young, that the constitution be suspended for this meeting. This motion was carried. After an opportunity had been given to the Freshmen of becoming members of the club, and the minutes of the last meeting had been read, the election of officers for the ensuing year was proceeded with. The following gentlemen were elected by acclamation: Mr. Ramsay Duff, Hon. President; Mr. A. McLeod, Captain, and Mr. R. Max. Dennistoun, Hon. Secretary-Treasurer. The Executive Committee is composed of Messrs. J. A. Brown (Medical College), G. Y. Chown, Lennox Irving, and Max. G. Hamilton (Arts). Mr. Alex. McLachlan, the retiring Secretary, then gave an account of his correspondence with the Secretary of the Central Ontario Football Association, and stated that he had forwarded an application for admission depending on the approval of the club. This action of the Secretary was sustained by the vote of the meeting. The question of a "Rugby Union team" was next considered, and it was finally decided that a portion of the funds should be given to the members of the club who were desirous of playing according to those rules. It was also decided that as the funds of the club were rather low, a fee should be collected from all members. The meeting, which was the most enthusiastic that has been held for several sessions, then adjourned.

ASSOCIATION MATCH.

On Saturday afternoon, Oct. 14th, a match was played between the Association teams of the Arts and Medical Faculties. The following players composed the teams: Arts—McLeod (captain), Robinson, Ferguson, McNaughton, McLachlan, Dyde, Irving, Kennedy, Booth, Mitchell and Pierie.

Medicals—Duff (captain), Sterling, Brown, Bertram, White, McArdle, Kidd, Foxton, Herald, Clark and Young.

No goals were taken so the match resulted in a draw. Several fouls and disputes marred this game without making it either more scientific to football players, or interesting to the spectators. During the progress of the match Mr. J. A. Brown dislocated his knee, but was promptly attended to by some Final men who happened to be present. Mr. Lennox Irving was also hurt by a blow on the mouth, which, though it impaired his beauty, did not disable him at the time. We are glad to learn that both these gentlemen are convalescent. The playing of McLeod, Kennedy and Pierie for the arts, and of Duff, Bertram and Stirling for the medicals, was above the average.

QUEEN'S VS. ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE.

On the afternoon of Wednesday, Oct. 11th, a very interesting and exciting match was played in the cricket ground between the Queen's, and Royal Military College Rugby teams. The day was a splendid one for the game, but was rather cool for the spectators, many of whom were ladies. At about 3:45 the cadets arrived on the ground, and at 4 o'clock the opposing teams took their places on the field as follows:

Royal Military College—Forwards: A. Joly, H. Strange, W. Van Straubenzie, W. Warner, E. J. Duffus, M. W. Neyland, and J. T. Lang. Backs: W. Von Iffland and P. G. Twynning. Half-backs: W. B. Carruthers, captain of the team, and D. C. Campbell. Quarter-backs: R. Davidson and M. Von Hugel, and centre back: J. Woodman.

Queen's College—Forwards: T. G. Marquis, J. Renton, R. M. Dennistoun, F. Strange, E. W. Rathbun, H. Young, G. F. Henderson, A. Ferguson and D. Ferguson. Backs: J. Booth and H. B. Rathbun. Quarter-backs: W. Coy and J. Foxton. Half-backs: A. Gordon, captain of the team, and M. Hamilton.

The cadets, as usual, looked remarkably well on the field in their neat recreation uniforms, while the students were for the most part dressed in blue jerseys and knickerbockers. As regards weight the cadets certainly had the advantage, and they soon showed the students that there is more in Rugby football than can be mastered in a week, for although the latter, all things being considered, played a good defence game, their playing as a team was not nearly as good as that of several individual members.

For the first half the "gowns" played with a wind blowing strongly from the northeast, but in spite of this advantage the game was one of defence throughout. Now and then, however, a good run would be made at the cadets goal by either Hamilton or Gordon, who, had they been more closely pushed by their own forwards, would have come dangerously near the goal-line of the cadets. Another redeeming feature was the drop-kicking of Booth, which, without doubt, prevented the cadets from obtaining several touch-downs that they otherwise would have taken. Neyland, Carruthers, and Joly did some good service for their team, although the playing of the last named gentleman was at times a little rough. Play had been going on for half an hour, when Neyland, having made a good run, and well-earned his success, scored a touch down, and the goal was finally taken by Duffus by a place-kick. Play was immediately resumed, and some stubborn play shown by both teams; Hamilton, Gordon, and Renton, making some praiseworthy attempts to rush the ball up the field, while Woodman and Carruthers were particularly anxious to move it in the opposite direction. Half-time was then called, after which the cadets had the wind to back them.

Lang took the first kick and sent the ball clear over the students' goal, but it didn't count. Neyland now secured it under his left arm and after having passed everything in the field, he rounded to behind the College goal, and touched it down. Davidson was this time given the privilege of kicking for the goal, but his attempt was futile, and Hamilton was not long in grabbing the ball and rushing it down to the cadets goal. But Weller was there, and he having tucked it under his arm, proceeded to bring it back, when Gordon tackled him and stopped him effectually. The cadets, however, once more rushed the ball up the

field, and Campbell having secured a good chance, kicked the second game for the cadets at 5.20.

After three cheers had been given by the members of each team for the others, the spectators, and players dispersed.

THE SPORTS.

THE annual athletic meeting was attended this year with more than usual success. The management was hardly up to that of former years, but the exceptional weather, increasing popularity and consequent increased attendance, especially of ladies, and the entry of some new men of no mean order, combined to make the afternoons proceedings both interesting and gratifying. The records made are by no means to be ashamed of, and will bear comparison with those of the best amateur associations.

Bertram, formerly a student of Arts, now of Medicine, proved himself champion without a strong rival, and took the silver cup.

J. M. Shaw '83, again took the lead in long distance running, and won both mile and half mile as he pleased, making very good time.

McGhie (Royal) won the 100 yard dash easily. No proper time was kept, but the winner is at least a 10th second man.

No official time was taken in either the half or quarter mile, but owing to the lack of competition it cannot have been anything extraordinary.

Robertson '86, will make a good heavy weight man, and more may be expected of him next year.

1. Throwing Light Hammer, 3 entries—1 A. McCauley, '83, 78 ft.; 2 D. M. Robertson, '86, 73 ft. 9 in.
2. Throwing Cricket Ball, 14 entries—1 J. Booth, '86, 87 yds. 1 foot; 2 T. A. Moore, (Royal) 86 yds. 2 ft.
3. Standing Long Jump (with weights) 7 entries—1 T. Bertram, (Royal), 11 ft. 9 in.; 2 M. Dixon, 10 ft. 9 in.
4. Three-legged race, 100 yards, 6 entries—1 Bertram and Pierie; 2 Farrell and McCuaig.
5. Putting heavy stone, 6 entries—1 J. P. McNaughton, '84, 28 ft. 4 in.; 2 D. M. Robertson, '86, 26 ft. 4 in.
6. Putting light stone, 6 entries—1 J. P. McNaughton, 34 ft. 9 in.; 2 D. M. Robertson, 33 ft. 9 in.
7. Mile race, 5 entries—1 J. M. Shaw, '83, 5 min. 12 sec.; 2 Max. Hamilton, '86, 5 min. 14 sec.
8. 100 yard dash (open to cadets of R. M. C.) 6 entries—1 G. S. McGhie, (Royal); 2 F. Montgomery, '85; 3 W. Van Buskirk, (R. M. C.)
9. Running long jump, 5 entries—1 T. A. Bertram, 17 ft. 1 in.; 2 D. M. Robertson, 16 ft. 10 in.
10. Running hop, step and jump, 9 entries—1 T. A. Bertram, 39 ft.; 2 J. Booth, 35 ft. 6 in.
11. Standing high jump, 3 entries—1 T. A. Bertram, 4 ft. 5th in.; 2 H. Burdette, (Royal), 4 ft. 5 in.
12. Running high jump, 3 entries—1 T. A. Bertram, 5 ft. 2 in.; 2 H. Burdette, 5 ft. 1 in.
13. Graduates race, 220 yards, 3 entries—1 H. M. Mowat, B.A., '81, 2 J. Herald, M.A., '80.
14. Vaulting with pole, 3 entries—1 J. Steele, '84, 7 ft. 11 in.; 2 J. McNeil, '84, 6 ft. 10 in.
15. Quarter mile race, 3 entries—1 T. A. Bertram; 2 F. Montgomery.
16. Sack race, 3 entries—1 T. A. Bertram; 2 F. Montgomery.

17. Half-mile race, 5 entries—1 J. M. Shaw, '83; 2 Max. Hamilton, '86.

The prizes which were valuable and well chosen, were presented to the winners by Mrs. Grant, in Convocation Hall, in the evening.

There were also on the platform several members of Senate, who, throughout the day, showed a keen interest in all the events. The Vice-Principal, and Hon. President of the Association, made a short and pleasant speech, congratulating the successful men, and expressing the interest which the faculty felt in all athletic matters.

The Hall was fairly filled and the students in Olympus, made things lively as usual.

The following were the officers for this year:

Hon. President—Professor Williamson.

Judges—Professor Watson and Professor Fletcher.

Time-keepers, &c.—Dr. W. H. Henderson, D. A.

Givens, B.A., and D. M. McIntyre, B.A.

Committee—Arts—A. Givan, J. Connell, D. W. Stewart,

J. J. Wright, J. Pierie.

Medicine—J. Herald, M.A., G. S. McGhie,

S. Keith, T. A. Bertram.

Secretary—G. Y. Chown.

BEST RECORDS 1882.

One Mile—5 min. 12 sec.

Running Long Jump—17 feet 1 inch.

Standing Long Jump—11 ft. 9 inches.

Running High Jump—5 ft. 2 inches.

Standing High Jump—4 ft. 5th inches.

Vaulting with Pole—7 ft. 11 inches.

Running Hop Step and Jump—39 ft.

Throwing Cricket Ball—87 yds. 2 ft.

NEW STUDENTS.

THE following is the list of new students in Arts, registered on University Day, with their schools:

- Bain, Wm. G.—Perth—Perth C. I.
Bennett, Orr—Peterboro—Peterboro C. I.
Booth, J. C.—Ottawa—Kingston C. I.
Britton, Florence—Kingston—Kingston L.A.
Cameron, Geo. Fred.—Boston, Mass.—New Glasgow H. S., N.S.
Coleman, H. K.—Port Hope.
Corkhill, E.—Loughboro—Sydenham H. S.
Coy, W. F., Kingston—Trin. Coll. School, Port Hope.
Davis, Emma—Kingston—Kingston C. I.
Dow, James—Scotland.
Dunlop, John G.—Kingston—Kingston C. I.
Dupuis, E. L.—Kingston—Kingston C. I.
Elliott, E.—Kingston—Kingston C. I.
Foxton Joseph—Kingston—Kingston C. I.
Gardiner, S. H.—Kingston—Kingston Academy.
Gordon, R. A.—Ottawa—Ottawa C. I.
Grant, N. M.—Stellarton, N.S.
Hamilton, M. G.—Peterboro—Peterboro C. I.
Hobart, —Kingston—Kingston C. I.
Horsely, E.—Ottawa—Sydenham H. S.
Horsely, H. E.—Kingston—Kingston C. I.
Kyle, W. A.—N. Winchester—Morrisburg H. S.
MacLeod, J. C.—Pickering.

McClement, W.—Loughboro—Sydenham H. S.
 McKinnon, J.—Brown's Creek, P.E.I.—P.W. Coll., P.E.I.
 McLeod,
 McKrae, T. W. R.—Belleville—St. Catherines C. I.
 Miller, John—Peterboro—Peterboro C. I.
 Mowat, E. Lilian—Kingston.
 Mowat, Ethelwyn—Kingston.
 Peirie, H. H.—Dundas—Dundas H. S.
 Rathbun, E. W.—Deseronto—U. C. Coll., Toronto.
 Rattray, J.—Scotland.
 Robertson, D. M.—Williamstown.
 Ryan, E.—Sydenham—Sydenham H. S.
 Sawyer, —Kingston.
 Shorey, E. C.—Ormslow—Arnprior H. S.
 Smith, G. J.—Peterboro—Peterboro C. I.
 Smith, Jeanie—Kingston—Berthier en Haut.
 Thomas, H. P.—Belleville—Belleville H. S.
 Whiteman, R.—Teeswater—St. Catherines C. I.
 Young, F. M.—Napanee—Napanee H. S.

MATRICULATION.

The following is the result of this examination, begun on the 27th of October, 1882, in order of merit. The schools at which the matriculants were educated will be found in the foregoing list.

Mathematics—

H. E. Horsey, Kingston; T. W. R. McKrae, Belleville; O. Bennett, Peterboro; S. H. Gardiner, Kingston; J. G. Dunlop, Kingston; E. Elliott, Kingston; R. Whiteman, Teeswater, and F. M. Young, Napanee, equal; J. Miller, Peterboro; E. Horsey, Kingston; E. Ryan, Sydenham, and G. J. Smith, Peterboro, equal; W. G. Bain, Perth; M. G. Hamilton, Peterboro; H. K. Coleman, Port Hope; J. C. McLeod, Pickering; J. C. Booth, Ottawa; E. C. Shorey; W. Coy, Kingston; J. F. Carmichael, Calumet; S. Crawford, Kingston; J. Foxton, Kingston; D. M. Robertson, Martintown; E. Dupuis, Kingston; H. McGrath, Sunbury; E. W. Rathbun, Jr., Deseronto.

Latin—

O. Bennett, T. W. R. McKrae, E. Elliott, W. G. Bain, M. G. Hamilton, J. G. Dunlop, Miss M. Greaves, Kingston; J. C. McLeod, H. E. Horsey, and R. Whiteman, equal; E. C. Shorey, G. J. Smith, E. Corkhill, Lobero; J. Rattray, Scotland; J. Miller, W. Coy, E. Ryan, J. Foxton, J. McLennan, Sydenham; H. K. Coleman, J. C. Booth, W. A. Kyle, Winchester; F. M. Young.

Greek—

W. G. Bain, R. Whiteman, H. E. Horsey, J. C. McLeod, E. Corkhill, E. C. Shorey, E. Ryan, E. W. Rathbun, Jr., H. K. Coleman.

English—

J. Miller, O. Bennett, J. Rattray, M. G. Hamilton, J. C. McLeod, T. W. R. McKrae, G. J. Smith, W. G. Bain, E. Ryan, J. G. Dunlop, Miss F. Britton, Kingston; R. Whiteman, E. Elliott, J. McKinnon, E. C. Shorey, H. E. Horsey, F. N. Young, S. H. Gardiner, W. Coy, Miss J. Smith, Kingston; J. F. Carmichael, A. Grant, E. Dupuis, J. Foxton, D. M. Robertson, J. C. Booth, E. Dupuis, E. Horsey, E. W. Rathbun.

German—

T. W. R. McKrae, J. G. Dunlop, E. Elliott, J. Miller, J. Foxton, J. C. Booth, E. Dupuis.

French—

J. G. Dunlop, T. W. R. McKrae, E. Elliott, J. Miller, J. Foxton, J. C. Booth, E. Dupuis.

→ PERSONAL ←

THERE are many alumni who fade from the memory of their fellow classmates, and the College faculties, merely from the fact that they never let themselves be heard from after leaving college halls. If this paragraph should meet the eye of any distant alumni, we hope they will take it as a request to let us know about the whereabouts and success of any other D.A.'s, (B.A.'s and M.D.'s included), and so incidentally about themselves. We are not so wanting in tact as to ask any one to write a short biographical sketch of himself. But let us proceed in the meantime with those near at hand.

THE FACULTY.—Principal Grant is now in Britain, but will be home in November. He is intent on finding a physicist among the halls of science to succeed Dr. Williamson. The Principal spent the summer months in Nova Scotia, and on the coast of Cape Breton. Professors Mowat, Dupuis and Fowler spent most of the vacation among the Thousand Islands. The former two gentlemen have summer residences in that beautiful region. Professor Fletcher "summered" in New Brunswick. Messrs. Watson, Ferguson, and Nicholson did not leave the city for any length of time, while Dr. Williamson enjoyed himself at Old Orchard Beach.

'82.—Messrs. J. R. O'Reilly, R. H. Pringle and Wm. and Alex. Morris, have become Students at Law. Messrs. Young, Hay, and R. J. Murray, will be in Divinity Hall this session. Mr. Spankie, is Principal of the Kingston Academy, a first-class boy's school. Mr. Froiland will return to medicine. The whereabouts of the remaining members of the class are unknown to us.

MESSRS. SHANNON, B.A., Cartwright '84, and Skinner '83. Subalterns in the P.W.O. Rifles, Kingston, obtained first-class Officers short course certificates from B. Battery, R.S.G., during the summer. The imperial swagger acquired by these gentlemen, while engaged in military life, was quite touching.

THE REV. DR. BAIN, late of Perth, has taken up his residence in Kingston.

REV. ARCH. A. MACKENZIE, B.Sc., is now assistant in a parish church in Glasgow, Scotland.

AMONG alumni noticed about the city during the Provincial Exhibition were Judge Macpherson, Owen Sound, J. Jones Bell, of the *Pictou Times*, J. O. Mowat, Rev. Hugh Cameron, Glencoe, E. H. Dickson, Fargo, Da., Rev. T. S. Glassford, J. R. Lavelle.

In the list of Masters of Arts we find the name of the Rev. Canon Dumoulin the new rector of St. James, Toronto. The degree was probably *ad eundem* in this case.

A. D. CAMERON, M.D., '82, was seen flitting about town on University Day.

WE much regret to hear of the critical condition of Dr. J. R. Dickson, President of the Medical Faculty. Paralysis has almost completely incapacitated him physically, although his mind, though weakened, is still active. This latter blessing is due, no doubt, to the Doctor's great mental vigor before this present illness laid hold of his frame. He is at present residing with his son C. R. Dickson, M.D., '80, who has a lucrative practice on Wolfe Island as successor to Dr. Irwin.

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REPORTED: That the members of the second year had thoughts of going to Alexandria Bay, to hobnob with the President of the United States.

THERE was a female, M.D., (mulier docta?) flitting about here recently. She was like the Miss Jane of Mavor's spelling book, that paradoxical personage whose moral character was so often held up to our youthful mind, as the perfection of wickedness: "She was a nice girl, but she was not good. She was bad and told lies." We kept out of Circe's way during her residence in the city. She nearly fastened us with her eye once, but we took to our heels. The lady's principles with regard to pecuniary transactions were most unbusiness like, and she bore the suggestive name of Carradice.

A SERENADE.—Princess street. First *nymph*—"What are the Grammar School boys doing to-night? Aren't they crazy?" Second do.—"Yes, the brats." If it affords some of the under-classmen who took part in the recent serenade any pleasure to blow tin horns, and use their rattles on the street we would be the last to interfere with such innocent amusement, but they must not object to be looked upon by the townspeople as school-boys. We think, however, the seniors are to blame in not taking these affairs under their control and having them conducted in the quamdam respectable manner. It is *ab uno disce omnes* with the citizens, and the very young element, if not controlled, is liable to give away the whole College.

A FRESHMAN was seen the other night on a street not far north of Princess, trying to make astronomical observations of the comet in full evening dress, his spotless *robe de nuit*, his gown and mortar board.

A JOVIAL JUNIOR excuses his absence from his boarding house until four o'clock in the morning on the ground that he stays up all night to see the comet, visible at that hour. The comet, seen through a glass, presents a very snake-like appearance.

THE Y. M. C. A. and Missionary Association will soon organize for the session and men be allotted different suburban districts for missionary work.

MR. GEORGE MCGOWAN, newly appointed Professor of Chemistry, has cabled that he will arrive in Kingston the last of this month.

A PROFESSORIAL SLIP.—It is rather hard that the freshmen should have been made the victims of a mistake even before they were through their matriculation examinations. By a "lapsus still," so to speak, on the English paper, these were instructed to "parse," instead of "analyse" a lengthy selection from the Deserted Village. By the time that most of the poor unfortunates had waded through the monotonous answer, parsing even the a's, an's, and the's, the allotted time had nearly elapsed, and immense disgust was depicted on the countenances of the several candidates as they filed out of the Hall after handing in their papers.

It is a pity that we cannot have a cricket club at Queen's, as some of the students claim to have big records. One junior, for instance, has often made "101,

not out," though of course he is out of practice just now.

THE Collegiate Institute boys held their annual sports in the City Park on Monday, Oct. 9th. Messrs. McGhie, of the R. C. P. S. K., and Montgomery '85, were first and second respectively in the ex-pupils race.

THE students find a great deal of difficulty in procuring text-books this year, as the book-sellers did not order their stock before hand.

ONE of the young ladies attending lectures was heard to remark, on leaving the Chemistry class-room on the opening day, that she felt "quite too utterly centigrade for anything."

ON THE FOOTBALL FIELD.—Big soph. (who has just charged a small freshman in a highly successful manner.) "I beg pardon, young man, quite accidental, you know." Small fresh (ploughing the real estate out of his left optic, and feeling for loose teeth).—"No consequence, sir, only—I—I see where the eye and the dental part of it comes in, but I thought it was your elbow, not an axe, that floored me."

SCENE.—Classical Class-room. The professor has been explaining to the members of the senior Latin class the Roman board of augurs. With all solemnity he remarked: "You will see, then, gentlemen, that these augurs were very Conservative." The class immediately applauded, but the professor suppressed their hilarity effectually by saying: "I think when you find out their characters, you will not be so ready to applaud."

THIS YEAR'S AVERAGE FRESHY.—The class of '86 is an unusually large one, and from this it naturally follows that we have a good representation of the different kinds of freshmen. There is the veridact freshy, the modest freshy, the studious freshy, and, alas, too frequently, the fresh, who thinks that he is too immense for anything. One of these last was observed the other day going along the street with an air of supreme importance, his mortar board (without which, by the way, he is never seen), on the back of his head, and his gown trailing behind him in a way which clearly showed to the passer-by that its welfare was a matter of but small importance to him. "Easy seeing he's not been at College long, he's evidently not used to the cap and gown," a citizen was heard to remark. Too true! alas, too true! A good specimen of the modest class might have been noticed on the campus, the day of the football match between the medicals and arts. The young man had unwittingly carried a small cane off from his boarding-house, but directly the conversation of his companions turned on the *Concursus Iniquitatis* he was observed to quietly slip the cane up his sleeve, a rosy blush mantling to his cheek at the same time. It was afterwards found out that he had proceeded to the other side of the campus and presented the cane to one of Kingston's rising generation, accompanying the present with the remark, "You bet your life, they won't catch me with a cane any more this session." Would that others of his class could be fully impressed with a sense of their duty in this respect! The studious freshman looks exceedingly sleepy when he appears at morning class with an unnecessarily large number of books under his arm. As this is, of course, highly commendable in youth, we pass him by, and remark that the number of veridact freshmen does not seem to be as large this year as might be expected. On the whole, however, we think that the class of '86 will pass muster very well.

→ ITEMS. ←

A COLLEGE joke to cure the dumps.—*Dean Swift.*

WHAT said the sun to the lily when he wooed her?
Wilt thou? (She wilted.)

WILL the boy take a bath? No, the boy will not take a bath. His clothes are off because he is going to an examination. That is a lead pencil tied around his neck. He cannot cheat now, because he has nowhere to hide a book.—*Ex.*

THIS is an examination. See how sad these boys look! Look at that boy in the corner. He will pass. He has studied hard. He has all his knowledge at his finger ends. See, he puts his knowledge in his pocket because the tutor is looking. Come away children!—*Record.*

IT is about this time of the year that the College press announces the amount of Harvard's bequests for the year. During 1881-82 \$400,000 flowed into her coffers.

THE number of matriculants this session in Trinity is about twenty. A new Professor has been added to the Faculty of Divinity.

THE announcement comes from Toronto that Trinity College, is to have a new chapel at a cost of \$20,000. The authorities say also, that an increase in the staff is something much to be desired. But with a nice dim religious chapel our Trinity friends will no doubt be happy.

Among the *elite* which we have found in the meshes of our Post Office box this session are the *Princetonian*, *Nassau Lit*, *Crimson*, *Lehigh Burr*, *Cornell Era*, *Acta Columbiana*, *Trinity Tablet* and *Student Life*. There is of course the usual catch of small fry. The *Crimson* appears this year weekly, with every promise of being as vigorous and interesting as it was as a fortnightly.

THE *Acta* coterie is all alive, and T. Carlyle Smith continues to be amusing in his own airy, and extravagant style. The *Burr* shows strong marks of improvement and has firmly established itself in the first rank of papers. The exchange man of the *Niagara Index* makes the customary remarks about his being a new hand. But it is no use. There is no disguising our friend of last year. We hope he may continue to maintain the reputation of the paper, and scribble away with his old time assurance, and cool indifference. We miss as yet many old friends—the *L'houise Gazette*, *Varsity*, and our fair friends from Whitby and Hamilton. We hope it will not be for long.

AT CORNELL, the weekly *non dies* has been changed from Saturday to Monday. The *Era* warmly approves of the change. This idea, as we have before suggested, has many good points about it. It is essential that in colleges there should be two days in the week for "rest and recreation," and one of these days should be given to reviewing the week's work. If the holiday is on Saturday, it is more than probable that that day will be the day of recreation and Sunday that for reviewing and grinding. Whereas if Monday were the holiday the reviewing would also come on that day. There is always a tendency to put off work till the last moment. And Saturdays generally slip away without much work being done. We again strongly recommend this matter to the attention of the Senate.

CONSIDERABLE controversy, interesting chiefly to theologians, has arisen in Oxford about two positions—the Vice-Chancellorship, to which Professor Jowett, Master of Balliol, and Professor of Greek, has been nominated, and the chair of Oriental Languages. It is claimed that the latter should be separated from the Canonry of Christ Church, which makes it requisite that the occupant should be in the church, and the nomination vested in the crown. In other words, that the chair may be occupied by a layman. As it is now, distinguished Hebraists such as Professor Robertson Smith, cannot apply for the chair, as they would be unable to hold the Canonry. On the other hand it is said that there is little inducement as it is, for the clergy to become scholars, as laymen are usually preferred in University appointments, and that as the Oriental Languages are so closely connected with theology, it is exceptional to find an English Hebrew scholar who is not in the orders of the Church of England.

The nomination of Jowett to the Vice-Chancellorship shows what a change of feeling may arise in a few years. A score of years ago, the present Professor of Greek was looked on as a rank heretic. It would have been thought at that time an unheard of thing to allow him even to occupy the University pulpit. In fact it was only as master of a college and having thus acquired an undeniable right to do so, that he ever preached to the undergraduates. Are Oxford men becoming more liberal? or is it merely Jowett's claims as a scholar that they wish to recognize.

MATRIMONY.—An insane desire to pay for the board and lodging of some other man's sister.

MCGILL COLLEGE defeated the cadets of the R. M. College at football last week.

John Jones, while out walking with Hannah,
Slipped and fell on a frozen banana,
And she came down kerslap,
Right square on his lap.
In an awkward, embarrassing manner.
But yet, though she ruined her pannier,
Hannah seemed rather pleased with the manner,
For after a while
She said with a smile,
"John, let's find another banana."—*Ex.*

FRESHMAN to a barber in whose chair he is now comfortably settled: "I say, what do you charge for a shave?"
Ebony wielder of the edged tool: "Fifteen cents, sar."
Freshman: "No reduction for the trade?" Blinking ebony: "No sar." Then the Freshman gathered about him his mantle, and with tread stately and sublime sought another shop.—*Ex.* We suppose the Freshman's claims to being in the trade were on the ground that he was a little sha—. But we will give someone whose life is less valuable than ours the right of finishing this joke.

"What is that mother?"
"A masher, dear:
You will always find it standing here,
Posed on the corner of the street,
Proudly displaying its tiny feet,
Twirling its little ten-cent cane.
A stupefying its tender brain
With the smoke of a paper cigaret.
Don't touch it, dear—it was raised a pet."
"Will it bite, mother!"
"Well, I should shout;
It will bite a free lunch for all that's out."